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INFO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CGEN, CFED, AFSP, JO, IS

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL FSL CONSULAR POSITION

REF: JERUSALEM 686

1. SSA REGIONAL FEDERAL BENEFITS COORDINATOR DISCUSSED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CLAIMS-TAKING IN JERUSALEM DURING HIS VISIT TO THE POST ON AUGUST 24-25. HE INDICATED THAT SSA IS ANXIOUS TO INITIATE SSA CLAIMS-TAKING IN NOVEMBER 1976 IN BOTH TEL AVIV AND JERUSALEM AND ANTICIPATES THAT THE ASSUMPTION OF SSA CLAIMS-TAKING RESPONSIBILITIES IN JERUSALEM WILL NECESSITATE DEVOTION OF AT LEAST ONE FULL TIME FSL EMPLOYEE EXCLUSIVELY TO FEDERAL BENEFITS WORK. APPROXIMATELY 60 PERCENT OF ONE FSL'S WORK IS CURRENTLY DEVOTED TO FEDERAL BENEFITS WORK. JERUSALEM'S LIMITED AVAILABILITY OF MANPOWER IS NOW THE ONLY EXISTING BARRIER TO THE SIMULTANEOUS IMPLEMENTATION OF SSA CLAIMS-TAKING ACTIVITY IN JERUSALEM AND TEL AVIV.

2. FURTHERMORE, THERE HAS BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN CONSULAR WORK. NIV CASES HAVE INCREASED FROM 3901 TO 5604 (APPROXIMATELY 75 PERCENT REQUIRE INTERVIEWS) IN THE LAST TWO YEARS AND PASSPORT ISSUANCE HAS INCREASED FROM 1398 TO 1538 DURING THE SAME PERIOD. 981 PASSPORTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN ISSUED DURING THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1976.

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OTHER CONSULAR SERVICES HAVE INCREASED CORRESPONDINGLY

I.E. 63 ARREST CASES THUS FAR IN 1976 VERSUS 29 FOR FY 1975,  
AND OVER 100 WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS CASES THUS FAR IN 1976  
VERSUS 39 FOR FY 1975. AN EXTRAORDINARY EFFORT BY THE  
PERSONNEL INVOLVED AND THE UTILIZATION OF VARIOUS MANAGE-  
MENT TECHNIQUES HAVE ENABLED THE CONSULAR SECTION TO  
CONTINUE TO SERVE THE PUBLIC; HOWEVER, WE HAVE REACHED THE  
POINT WHERE WE CAN NO LONGER ABSORB ANY FURTHER INCREASE  
IN WORKLOAD OR UNDERTAKE ANY FURTHER RESPONSIBILITIES  
WITHOUT SERIOUSLY AFFECTING THE QUALITY OF OUR SERVICES.

3. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, REQUEST THE COMPLEMENT OF THE  
CONSULAR SECTION TO INCREASED BY ONE FSL-6 POSITION  
EFFECTIVE FY 1977.

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